



A = Approved, A1 = Approved First Reading, A2 = Approved Second Reading, D = Deferred, NA = No Action, PH = Authorized Public Hearing, AD = Approval Denied

ACTION AGENDA

Hickory City Council
76 North Center Street

June 15, 2021
7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Invocation by Rabbi Dennis Jones, Temple Beth Shalom
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Special Presentations
- V. Persons Requesting to Be Heard
- VI. Approval of Minutes
- A A. Regular Meeting of June 1, 2021. **(Exhibit VI.A.)**
- A B. Special Meeting of June 9, 2021. **(Exhibit VI.B.)**
- VII. Reaffirmation and Ratification of Second Readings. Votes recorded on first reading will be reaffirmed and ratified on second reading unless Council Members change their votes and so indicate on second reading.
 - A2 A. Approval of Amending the Traffic Ordinance to Reduce the Speed Limit along 5th Avenue NW, from 3rd Avenue Drive NW to 9th Street NW, and 10th Street NW from 4th Avenue NW to 4th Avenue Drive NE from 35 mph to 25 mph. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**
 - A2 B. Budget Revision Number 22. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**
 - A2 C. City Manager's FY2021-2022 Recommended Budget. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**
 - A2 D. Budget Revision Number 23. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**
- VIII. Consent Agenda: All items below will be enacted by vote of City Council. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests. In which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered under Item IX.
 - A A. Approval of a Third Amendment to the Option and Lease Agreement for Electronic Communication Equipment (Lease Agreement) and the Memorandum of Lease with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T Mobility Corporation) (Memorandum). **(Exhibit VIII.A.)**

Staff requests approval of a Third Amendment to the Option and Lease Agreement for Electronic Communication Equipment ("Lease Agreement") and Memorandum of Lease with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T Mobility Corporation) ("Memorandum"). The City of Hickory and New Cingular's predecessor entered into an original site Lease Agreement on September 14, 2004, for electronic communication located on Public Services property at 1441 9th Avenue NE. The original agreement was first amended December 22, 2011. A second amendment to the Lease Agreement was approved

September 16, 2014. The original Lease Agreement is set to expire October 31, 2025. The Third Amendment will extend the current term which is set to expire October 31, 2025. Amendment number three proposed to extend the term for five additional renewal terms of five years each for a total of 25 years. It also resets the monthly rent to \$3,248.00 per month beginning November 1, 2025. The rent is subject to a 10 percent increase beginning November 1, 2025, and thereafter 10 percent at the beginning of each remaining extension term. The other conditions and terms of the Lease Agreement will remain the same. The Memorandum summarizes the proposed extension of the Lease Agreement's term. Staff recommends approval of a Third Amendment to the Option and Lease Agreement for Electronic Communication Equipment ("Lease Agreement") and the Memorandum of Lease with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T Mobility Corporation) ("Memorandum").

Legal Notice was advertised in a newspaper having general circulation in the Hickory area on May 15, 2021.

- A B. Approval of a Resolution for Cancellation of the July 6, 2021, City Council Meeting. **(Exhibit VIII.B.)**

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Hickory that the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting for July 6, 2021, be cancelled. (This meeting in July has traditionally been cancelled by the City Council due to the July 4th Holiday.)

- A C. Approval to Write-Off Uncollectible Accounts for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. **(Exhibit VIII.C.)**

Staff requests City Council's approval to write-off uncollectible accounts totaling \$178,485.63, in accordance with North Carolina General Statutes. In accordance with the North Carolina General Statutes, a list of accounts to be written off is submitted for Council's approval each year, in conjunction with the annual audit. North Carolina General Statutes establish that all street assessments, demolitions, nuisance violations, and property taxes that are over ten years old are no longer collectible and should be written off in conjunction with the annual audit. For the current fiscal year 2020-2021, there are \$89,944.99 in unpaid property taxes and \$4,633 in unpaid demolition billings which exceed the ten-year limitation. The City of Hickory's Accounting Division requires all other accounts that are over eighteen months in arrears be written off to comply with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in order to represent financial assets of the City more fairly on the balance sheet. For the current fiscal year, this amount is \$83,907.64. Current fiscal year write-offs total \$178,485.63, compared to \$185,222.27 for FY 2019-2020. Even though these accounts will be written off, the Finance Department will continue to pursue collection of the debts. All eligible accounts over \$50 are submitted to the North Carolina Debt Setoff Program for collection. As of May 27, 2021, the City of Hickory has collected \$24,759.83 from the garnishment of North Carolina State income tax refunds and North Carolina State lottery winnings during this current fiscal year. Staff recommends approval to write-off uncollectible accounts for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

- A D. Acceptance of the Bid and Approval of the Contract with Fuller & Co., Construction, LLC in the Amount of \$5,624,051.11 for the Murray Basin Sewer Project. **(Exhibit VIII.D.)**

Staff requests Council's approval of the bid and award of a contract with Fuller & Co. Construction, LLC, for the Murray Basin Sewer Project (SRF CS370389-22) in the amount of \$5,624,051.11. The Murray Basin is one of the older sections of the City of Hickory's collection system and serves a densely developed portion of the City of Hickory's southeast quadrant from Springs Road to Tate Boulevard. Currently, wastewater discharge is being treated at the Conover North Facility and this project will convey flows to the City of Hickory Henry Fork Facility. The Murray Basin project includes the addition of multiple pumping stations, force main and the upgrade of existing gravity sanitary sewer lines. Flows from the existing system relayed back to existing City of Hickory Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) will result in a net savings of approximately \$400,000 annually. Additionally, the additional flows of the Murray Basin into the Henry Fork WWTF will be a welcome addition as the facility currently is running at approximately 27 percent capacity. The Murray Basin

sewer project was advertised, and bids were opened on April 29, 2021. Three contractors submitted competitive bids on the project and were as follows: Fuller & Co. Construction, LLC - \$5,624,051.11; Buckeye Bridge, LLC - \$5,977,734; Two Brothers Utilities, LLC - \$7,216,160. Clean Water State Revolving Funds (CWSRF) have been approved for the funding of this project at a low interest loan of 1.04 percent for 20-years. Staff recommends Council's approval of the bid and award of a contract with Fuller & Co. Construction, LLC, for the Murray Basin sewer project (SRF CS370389-22) in the amount of \$5,624,051.11.

- A1** **E.** Approval of Amending the Traffic Ordinance to Reduce the Posted Speed Limit Along Main Avenue NE from 7th Avenue NE to 1st Avenue NE and along Main Avenue NW from 9th Street NW to 4th Street NW from 35 mph to 25 mph. **(Exhibit VIII.E.)**

Staff requests Council's approval of amending the Traffic Ordinance to reduce the posted speed limit along Main Avenue NE from 7th Avenue NE to 1st Avenue NE and along Main Avenue NW from 9th Street NW to 4th Street NW to 25 mph. With City Walk almost complete, there have been and will be an uptick in pedestrian and bicycle activity along Main Avenue NE/NW. As the roadway dynamics have changed, reducing from four-lanes to three-lanes and adding a 10-foot path, traffic speeds need to reflect these changes to help make it safer for the new users. Currently the speed limit along Main Avenue NE/NW is 35 mph, except in the Central Business District where it is 20 mph. Traffic Division staff received the request to determine if a speed limit reduction was warranted. Due to the higher volumes of pedestrians and cyclists along the route and the closer proximity to live traffic, reducing the speed limit to 25 mph in the area is justified. The necessary sign modifications along the roadway can be performed as a normal part of the Traffic Division's signs/markings shop operations. Staff recommends Council's approval of amending the Traffic Ordinance to reduce the posted speed limit along Main Avenue NE from 7th Avenue NE to 1st Avenue NE and along Main Avenue NW from 9th Street NW to 4th Street NW to 25 mph.

- A** **F.** Approval to Implement an All-way Stop at the Intersection of 14th Avenue NW at 5th Street Circle NW. **(Exhibit VIII.F.)**

Staff requests Council's approval to implement an all-way stop at the intersection of 14th Avenue NW at 5th Street Circle NW. City Council implemented a Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program that enables citizens to request measures to improve traffic safety in the area where they own property. Citizens requesting traffic calming measures are required to complete and submit a petition with 75 percent of properties in favor of implementation for the request to move forward. Traffic Division staff received the completed petition from property owners along 14th Avenue NW from 6th Street NW to 4th Street NW, along 4th Street NW from 14th Avenue NW to property at 1313 4th Street NW, and along 5th Street Circle NW with regards to the Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program and have found the property owners in compliance with the guidelines. The petition qualifies for a speed limit reduction on the roadway listed. Thirty-nine properties were included in the petition and thirty-three properties signed in favor of implementation. This represents at least 75 percent approval, which meets the requirement. The necessary sign modifications along the roadway can be performed as a normal part of the Traffic Division's signs/markings shop operations. Staff recommends Council's approval to implement an all-way stop at the intersection of 14th Avenue NW at 5th Street Circle NW.

- A/PH** **G.** Call for a Public Hearing for Consideration of a Voluntary Contiguous Annexation of Property Owned by REC Group LLC and RECL NC LLC, Containing Approximately 137.299 acres of Property, located between Short Road and Eller Drive, Identified as PINs 3711-1684-4173, 3711-1961-5646, 3711-1962-2278, 3711-1962-8108, 3711-1672-6809, 3711-1683-7965, and 3711-1684-9988. (Authorize Public Hearing for July 20, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Julian G. Whitener Municipal Building). **(Exhibit VIII.G.)**

- A** **H.** Approval of a Resolution Regarding Condemnation of Properties for Temporary and Permanent Easements and Right-of-Ways for Construction of the Multi-Use Path System for the Historic Ridgeview Walk. **(Exhibit VIII.H.)**

Staff requests Council to consider a Resolution regarding condemnation of properties for temporary and permanent easements and rights-of-ways for construction of a multi-use path system (Historic Ridgeview Walk). The Historic Ridgeview Walk (formerly referred to as the Book Walk) is part of the larger Hickory Trail multi-use path system and bond program that seeks to increase quality of life for residents and spur economic revitalization by providing pedestrian and bicycle connectivity throughout the City. Historic Ridgeview Walk will specifically provide this connectivity within the Ridgeview community and connect the Ridgeview community to Downtown Hickory and U.S. 70. Per North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 40A the City of Hickory has the power of eminent domain to acquire any property to improve streets, sidewalks, and establish or improve recreational facilities. The City has found it is in the public interest to acquire certain easements and rights-of-way for the construction of the 1.2 mile, 10-foot-wide multi-use pathway for pedestrian and bicycle connectivity from the City Walk in Downtown Hickory, through the Ridgeview Community, to U.S. 70. The proposed resolution authorizes staff and legal counsel to institute the condemnation proceedings on these properties. Staff recommends Council's approval of the Resolution regarding condemnation of properties for temporary and permanent easements and rights-of-ways for construction of a multi-use path system for the Historic Ridgeview Walk.

- A** **I.** Approval of a Microenterprise Grant Agreement with Clarity-Life Coaching in the Amount of \$2,000. **(Exhibit VIII.I.)**

In its 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development, the City of Hickory identified increasing entrepreneurship opportunities as a high priority need. The 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plans have \$33,000 allocated towards assistance for entrepreneurial activities. The program offers grants of up to \$4,000 for low-to-moderate income business owners for business property, inventory, necessary fixed assets, marketing and business promotion, or other improvements approved by the Business Development Committee. Applicants are required to submit a business plan and have a counseling session with a local business support organization. Catherine Lundberg has applied for a Microenterprise Grant to support and enhance her start-up business, Clarity-Life Coaching. The business offers coaching to individuals who desire to gain greater perspective in order to experience personal growth. The Business Development Committee reviewed the application and recommended approval of the grant in the amount of \$2,000. The grant funds will be used to pursue online training to enable her to give core value assessments and to purchase a new computer for her business among other aspects of starting her business. Staff recommends City Council's approval of the Microenterprise Grant agreement with Clarity-Life Coaching.

- A** **J.** Acceptance of the 2021 Urgent Repair Program Grant and Approval of the Assistance and Procurement Policies. **(Exhibit VIII.J.)**

In December 2020, the City of Hickory Community Development Division applied for funding through the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency's Urgent Repair Program. The City of Hickory has been awarded \$75,000 through this program in order to assist approximately eight very low-income homeowners with urgently needed repairs in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 per housing unit. The City of Hickory will provide an additional \$5,000 in matching funds, which are available from Rental Rehabilitation program income. The total program budget will be \$80,000. The City of Hickory Community Development Department, in complying with the N.C. Housing Finance Agency's funding requirements for URP21, has prepared an Assistance Policy and Procurement Policy. These policies incorporate program requirements, applicant eligibility standards, and program capabilities. Upon approval by Hickory City Council, these policies will be submitted along with additional required information to the NC Housing Finance Agency. Upon receipt and acceptance by NCHFA, funds will be dispersed to the City of Hickory in order to begin repairs to eligible homes. Staff recommends City Council's acceptance of the 2021 Urgent Repair Program Grant and approval of the Assistance and Procurement Policies.

A K. Citizens' Advisory Committee Recommendations for Assistance through the City of Hickory's Housing Programs. (Exhibit VIII.K.)

The following requests were considered by the Citizens' Advisory Committee at their regular meeting on June 3, 2021.

- *Una Hunt, 1333 13th Street NE, Hickory, was recommended for approval of a Housing Rehabilitation Loan. The Citizens' Advisory Committee recommends approval for assistance not to exceed \$25,000 for repairs to her house. Assistance would be in the form of a zero percent interest deferred loan.*
- *Juanita Reid, 236 7th Street SW, Hickory, was recommended for approval of a Housing Rehabilitation Loan. The Citizens' Advisory Committee recommends approval for assistance not to exceed \$25,000 for repairs to her house. Assistance would be in the form of a zero percent interest deferred loan.*
- *LaShanda Robinson, 221 18th Avenue SE, Hickory, was recommended for approval of a Housing Rehabilitation Loan. The Citizens' Advisory Committee recommends approval for assistance not to exceed \$25,000 for repairs to her house. Assistance would be in the form of a zero percent interest deferred loan.*
- *Winslow Sherrill, 580 9th Avenue Drive SE, Hickory, was recommended for approval of a Housing Rehabilitation Loan. The Citizens' Advisory Committee recommends approval for assistance not to exceed \$25,000 for repairs to his house. Assistance would be in the form of a zero percent interest deferred loan.*
- *Gregory & Teresa Whitman, 1388 20th Avenue NE, Hickory, was recommended for approval of a Housing Rehabilitation Loan. The Citizens' Advisory Committee recommends approval for assistance not to exceed \$25,000 for repairs to their house. Assistance would be in the form of a zero percent interest deferred loan.*

Funds are budgeted for this item through the City of Hickory's former Housing Rehabilitation Program income received in FY 2020 and/or program income received through the City of Hickory's Community Development Block Grant Program.

The following applicants are being recommended for approval for assistance under the City of Hickory's 2020 Urgent Repair Program. This program provides qualified low-income citizens with assistance for emergency related repairs not to exceed \$10,000.

- *Ruby Heavner, 1174 1st Avenue SW, Hickory, up to 10,000.*
- *Barbara Heuer, 448 1st Street SW, Hickory, up to 10,000.*
- *Heather Lyerly, 1055 18th Avenue NW, Hickory, up to \$10,000.*
- *Shelley Tribble, 730 9th Avenue Drive SE, Hickory, up to 7,645.*

The Citizens' Advisory Committee recommends approval of the aforementioned requests for assistance through the City of Hickory's housing assistance programs.

A L. Approval of a Cemetery Deed from the City of Hickory to James Dula, Southside Cemetery, Plot N. Lot No. 17 and 18, Section 5. (Prepared by Deputy City Attorney Arnita Dula). (Exhibit VIII.L.)

IX. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

X. Informational Item

XI. New Business:

A. Public Hearings

A1 1. Consideration of the Amendments to Article III of Chapter 2 of the Hickory Code of Ordinances. – Presentation by Deputy City Attorney Arnita Dula. (Exhibit XI.A.1.)

The Hickory Regional Planning Commission was established in 1963 by a local act, North Carolina Session Law 1963-477 ("S.L. 1963-477"). The law created the organization and established the membership composition and terms of office. As mandated by S.L. 1963-477, the Hickory City Council ("Council") adopted Article III Planning Commission of Chapter 2 of the Code to establish the Hickory Regional Planning Commission. Article III also provided for the method of appointment of the planning commission's members. S.L. 1963-477 was subsequently amended in 1967 by Session Law 1967-214. The amendment made a minor change to the wording of paragraph three. The City of Hickory has pursued a local act – Senate Bill 192 (SB 192) - to repeal S.L. 1963-477 as amended by S.L. 1967-214. SB 192 also requires the City to adopt an ordinance that provides for the appointment of a new planning commission pursuant to Article 3 of Chapter 160D of the North Carolina General Statutes. Amending Article III of Chapter 2 of the Code will enable the City to comply with SB 192's mandate and Chapter 160D requirements. The proposed amendments keep the existing name – Hickory Regional Planning Commission. The amendments also establish the planning commission's members' composition, terms of service, and powers and duties. Staff recommends Council hold a public hearing to consider and adopt amendments to Article III of Chapter 2 of the Hickory Code of Ordinances.

This public hearing was advertised in a newspaper having general circulation in the Hickory area on June 4, 2021.

B. Departmental Reports

NA 1. Racial Disparities Report Update and Next Steps – Presentation by City Manager Warren Wood

A 2. Appointments to Boards and Commissions

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3 Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

At-Large (Council Appoints)	Joan Long
	(Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)
At-Large (Council Appoints)	Brandon Hedrick
	(Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)

Mayor Guess nominated Joan Long and Brandon Hedrick for Reappointment as At-Large Representatives on the Business Development Committee.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

At-Large (Council Appoints)	David Myers
	(Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)
At-Large (Council Appoints)	Cliff Moone
	(Not Eligible for Reappointment)

Mayor Guess nominated David Myers for Reappointment as an At-Large Representative on the Citizens Advisory Committee.

Alderman Seaver nominated Greg Schauble as an At-Large Representative on the Citizens Advisory Committee.

COMMUNITY APPEARANCE COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

Ward 1 (T. Wood Appoints)	Margaret Nealon
	(Not Eligible for Reappointment)
At-Large (Outside City but within HRP) (Council Appoints)	VACANT

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COUNCIL

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

African American (Council Appoints)	Lakeisha Ross-Johnson (Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)
Caucasian (Council Appoints)	Mandy Pitts Hildebrand (Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)
Other Minority (Council Appoints)	VACANT
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Other Minority (Council Appoints)	VACANT
Differently-Abled and is African-American or Other Minority (Council Appoints)	VACANT
Differently-Abled (Council Appoints)	Beth Whicker (Not Eligible for Reappointment)

Mayor Guess nominated Lakeisha Ross Johnson for Reappointment as an African American Representative, and Mandy Pitts Hildebrand for Reappointment as a Caucasian Representative on the Community Relations Council.

EDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR HICKORY

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms with Unlimited Appointments)

(Appointed by City Council)

Hickory Representative	Stephen Shuford (Eligible for Reappointment)
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HICKORY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

(Term Begins July 1, 2021) (Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms With Unlimited Appointments)

(Appointed by City Council)

Ward 1 (T. Wood Appoints) (3-Year Initial Term)
Ward 2 (C. Williams Appoints) (1-Year Initial Term)
Ward 3 (Seaver Appoints) (2-Year Initial Term)
Ward 4 (D. Williams Appoints) (3-Year Initial Term)
Ward 5 (Zagaroli Appoints) (2-Year Initial Term)
Ward 6 (Patton Appoints) (1-Year Initial Term)
Catawba County Representative (1) (1-Year Initial Term)
(Mayor Appoints with Recommendation from Catawba County)
Catawba County Representative (2) (3-Year Initial Term)
(Mayor Appoints with Recommendation from Catawba County)
Burke County Representative (2-Year Initial Term)
(Mayor Appoints with Recommendation from Burke)

Alderman Wood nominated Bill McBrayer as Ward 1 Representative on the Hickory Regional Planning Commission.

Alderwoman Williams nominated Philip Reed as Ward 2 Representative on the Hickory Regional Planning Commission.

Alderman Seaver nominated Junior Hedrick as Ward 3 Representative on the Hickory Regional Planning Commission.

Alderwoman Patton nominated Ann Williams as Ward 6 Representative on the Hickory Regional Planning Commission.

Mayor Guess nominated Robert Weaver as Burke County Representative, and Catawba County Representatives (with approval from Catawba County) Jeff Kerley (1-Year Initial Term) and William Pekman (3-Year Initial Term), on the Hickory Regional Planning Commission.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms (Appointed by City Council)

Licensed Architect (Council Appoints)	Ernie Sills
	(Not Eligible for Reappointment)
At-Large (2)	Mary Moorer
	(Eligible for Reappointment)
At-Large (3)	Samuel E. Hunt
	(Eligible for Reappointment)

Mayor Guess nominated Samuel E. Hunt for Reappointment as an At-Large (3) Representative on the Historic Preservation Commission.

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

Ward 2 (C. Williams Appoints)	Walter C. Smith
	(Not Eligible for Reappointment)
Ward 3 (Seaver Appoints)	Beth Schauble
	(Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)
Ward 6 (Patton Appoints)	Gail Miller
	(Eligible for Reappointment/Does Not Wish to Serve Again)
At-Large (3) (Mayor Appoints)	Mark Thomas
	(Eligible for Reappointment)

Alderwoman Williams nominated Julie Voss as Ward 2 Representative on the Library Advisory Board.

Alderman Seaver nominated Beth Schauble for Reappointment as Ward 3 Representative on the Library Advisory Board.

Mayor Guess nominated Mark Thomas for Reappointment as an At-Large Representative on the Library Advisory Board.

PUBLIC ART COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

Ward 1 (T. Wood Appoints)	Laurie Childres
	(Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)
Ward 4 (D. Williams Appoints)	VACANT
At-Large (Mayor Appoints)	Laura Costello
	(Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)
At-Large (Mayor Appoints)	Beth Bowman
	(Not Eligible for Reappointment)

Alderman Wood nominated Laurie Childres for Reappointment as Ward 1 Representative on the Public Art Commission.

Mayor Guess nominated Laura Costello for Reappointment as an At-Large Representative on the Public Art Commission.

PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 5-Year Terms) (Appointed by the Mayor)

Position 3 (Mayor Appoints)	VACANT
Position 9 (Mayor Appoints) (Unexpired Term of Rebecca Clements)	VACANT

RECREATION AND SPORTS TOURISM COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

Ward 1 (T. Wood Appoints)	Susan Bisulca
	(Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)
Ward 5 (Zagaroli Appoints)	David Crosby
	(Not Eligible for Reappointment)
Ward 6 (Patton Appoints)	Steve Snyder
	(Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)
At-Large Minority (1) (Council Appoints)	Eric Brandon

(Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)

Alderman Wood nominated Susan Bisulca for Reappointment as Ward 1 Representative for the Recreation and Sports Tourism Commission.

Alderwoman Patton nominated Steve Snyder for Reappointment as Ward 6 Representative on the Recreation and Sports Tourism Commission.

Mayor Guess nominated Eric Brandon for Reappointment as an At-Large Minority (1) Representative on the Recreation and Sports Tourism Commission.

RECYCLING ADVISORY BOARD

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

Ward 5 (Zagaroli Appoints)

Robert Warmuth

(Not Eligible for Reappointment)

At-Large (Council Appoints)

William Garrard

(Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)

Alderman Zagaroli nominated Dr. Grey Winfield as Ward 5 Representative on the Recycling Advisory Board.

Mayor Guess nominated William Garrard for Reappointment as an At-Large Representative on the Recycling Advisory Board.

UNIVERSITY CITY COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 2-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

At-Large (not including ETJ) (Council Appoints)

Ryan Edwards

(Eligible for Reappointment/Willing to Serve Again)

Mayor Guess nominated Ryan Edwards for Reappointment as an At-Large Representative on the University City Commission.

WESTERN PIEDMONT REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY POLICY BOARD

Karen Dickerson – Current Primary

John Marshall – Current Alternate

Recommendation of Karen Dickerson as Primary and Cameron McHargue as Alternate.

Mayor Guess nominated Karen Dickerson as Primary Representative on the Western Piedmont Regional Transit Authority Policy Board.

C. Presentation of Petitions and Requests

XII. Matters Not on Agenda (requires majority vote of Council to consider)

XIII. General Comments by Members of Council, City Manager or City Attorney of a Non-Business Nature

XIV. Closed Session Per NC General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(4) to consult with the attorneys regarding the following: (Action on these items, if any, will occur in Open Session)

NA 1. Discussion of Potential Economic Development - NCGS §143-318.11(a)(4)

XV. Adjournment

***Hickory City Code Section 2-56. Public Address to Council:**

“When conducting public hearings, considering ordinances and otherwise considering matters wherein the public has a right to be heard, when it appears that there are persons present desiring to be heard, the Mayor shall require those opposing and favoring the proposed action to identify themselves. Each side of the matter shall be given equal time. Those opposing the proposed action shall be allowed 15 minutes for presentation, followed by 15 minutes for those favoring the action, with the opponents then to have five minutes for rebuttal and the proponents to then have five minutes for surrebuttal. Those persons on either side shall have the right to divide their allotted time among them as they may choose. The Council, by majority vote, may extend the time for each side equally. On matters in which the person desiring to address the Council does not have a legal right to speak, the Council shall determine whether it will hear the person. The refusal to hear a person desiring to speak may be based upon grounds that the subject matter is confidential, that its public discussion would be illegal, that it is a matter not within the jurisdiction of the Council or for any other cause deemed sufficient by the Council. Any person allowed to speak who shall depart from the subject under discussion or who shall make personal, impertinent or slanderous remarks, or who shall become boisterous while addressing the Council shall be declared out of order by the Mayor, or by vote of the Council, and barred from speaking further before the Council unless permission to continue shall be granted by a majority vote of the Council, under such restrictions as the Council may provide.”

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